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Title of the Invention: RABCONNECTIN-3-BINDING PROTEIN

A) APPLICATION ELEMENTS:

- 1) ☐ **Fee Transmittal Form** (original and duplicate submitted for fee processing)
- 2) ☐ **Applicant Claims Small Entity Status** (see 37 CFR 1.27)
 - a) ☐ Statement Verifying Small Entity Status (optional)
- 3) ☒ **Specification**

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4) ☒ **Drawing(s)** (35 U.S.C. § 113)

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a) ☐ Formal Drawings (if checked)5 ☐ **Oath or Declaration**a) ☐ Newly Executed (original or copy)b) ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d))-for
continuation/divisional applicationi) ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S): Signed Statement deleting inventor(s) named
in the prior application, see 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).c) ☐ Unexecuted6) ☐ **Application Data Sheet**. See 37 CFR 1.76.7) ☐ **CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program Appendix)**8) ☒ **Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission**a) ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)b) ☒ Specification Sequence Listing on:i) ☐ CD-ROM or CR-R (2 copies); orii) ☒ Paperc) ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copiesB) ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS:9) ☐ **Assignment Papers**10) ☐ **37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) Statement** (when there is an assignee)11) ☐ **Power of Attorney**12) ☐ **English Translation Document** (if applicable)13) ☐ **Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449**14) ☐ **Copies of IDS Citations**

- 15) ☒ **Preliminary Amendment** (3 pages)
- 16) ☐ **Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)** (specifically itemized)
- 17) ☒ **Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)** (if foreign priority is claimed)
Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-319521 filed November 1, 2002
- 18) ☒ **OTHER:** (if applicable, specified below)
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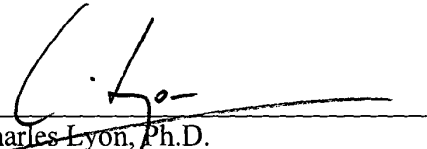


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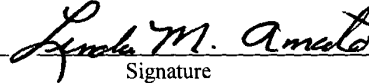
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